# Southern Energy Co-operative Link

Minutes of board meeting, 3 August 1998, 71 Franciscan Avenue, Frankston

Present: A.R. Gourley, Greg Wishart, Richard Greaves and David Griffiths

# **Minutes**

That the minutes be confirmed as a true and accurate record of the meeting of 6 July 1998 and be signed by the Chairman.

Moved: D.G Seconded: A.G CARRIED

### **SEC News**

It was agreed that SEC News Vol 1 No 4 August 1998 was ready to be distributed to members. There was discussion as to whether to include a brief note on the renewable energy course at Peninsula Institute of TAFE. The Chairman provided directors with copies of the course flyer. It was agreed that the course flyer would be distributed with SEC News. The Chairman said that he would follow-up the course organiser for additional copies of the flyer.

# **Rules and General Meeting**

The Secretary proposed that a general meeting to be organised to adopt the new rules as already approved without the desired amendments discussed at the previous board meeting. He said that there were two reasons for this, The first was that for the transition period co-operatives no longer had to pay the \$100 for registering new rules. The second was that there was a need to initiate the process of removing inactive members.

That there be a special general meeting at 5.00 p.m., 22 August 1998, 71 Franciscan Avenue, Frankston to consider the following resolution: It is resolved that the Rules of the Co-operative be rescinded and the new Rules approved for registration by the Registrar of Co-operatives on the 2 April 1998 be adopted as the Rules of the Co-operative.

Moved: DG S: G.W. CARRIED

### **Documents**

The Secretary provided directors with copies of the following:

- 1) UK House of Commons Electricity Generation Bill 3 June 1998
- 2) UK House of Lords Building Regulations (Energy Rating Information ) (Amendment Bill) 30 April 1998
- 3) Newsletter of Toronto Renewable Energy Co-operative Vol 1 Number 4, 24 July 1998
- 4) Co-operative Energy Ltd letter to CFV Ltd of 23 July 1998 re membership subscriptions.
- 5) Co-operative Energy Ltd letter of 28 July 1998 to ORG re Default Consumers
- Co-operative Energy Ltd letter of 27 July 1998 re 2001 electricity distribution price review framework and approach
- 7) Co-operative Energy Ltd submission to NECA Electricity Distribution Monopoly & Consumers
- 8) Co-operative Education Virtual Community 28 July 1998
- 9) SEDA news release: Every Sydney home offered \$10 to purchase Smart Showerhead 8 July 1998
- 10) SEDA news release All NSW Councils offered Green home improvement scheme 7 April 1998
- 11) Tranaes, Flemming Danish Wind Energy Co-operatives Part 1 and Part 2, 1 September 1997

# Co-operative Federation of Victoria Ltd

Richard Greaves reported that he would be attending a dinner organised at a co-operative directors training course at the Mt Eliza Business Centre on 22 August 1998. He said that the two day course (22-23 August 1998) was organised by Monash University in association with the Co-operative Federation of Victoria Ltd.

The Secretary noted that the course had been initiated by John Gill and it was hoped that it would be the first of an annual event. Richard Greaves also reported that the course organiser, Lawrie Dooley, was interested in Southern Energy Co-operative Ltd.

The Secretary reported that the Federation's AGM was planned for 15 October 1998. It was noted that Richard Greaves was our delegate. The Secretary said that he would provide directors with additional information after the board's next meeting on 20 August 1998.

### A Chariot of Fire

The Chairman provided directors with copies of a book: A Chariot of Fire: Secret Ballots in Parliament Basil Smith

### **LETS**

The Secretary noted that there was a Victorian LETS scheme conference in Frankston in October 1998 and that he had sent an email requesting the possibility of a Co-operative Federation of Victoria Ltd information stall at the conference. He said that the information stall could include Southern Energy material and directors would have to operate the stall.

# **Graeme Charles**

Richard Greaves reported that the Chairman of Co-operative Energy Ltd, Graeme Charles, had passed on his best wishes. He said that he had supplied Graeme with an advance copy of SEC News.

# **Previous Minutes**

It was noted there was a need for the Chairman to sign the minutes for the meeting of 23 March 1998 and that all previous minutes had been signed.

### **Home Pure**

The Secretary reported that Greg Wishart had provided a document on the HomePure water sanitiser. He said that it was longer than a page and complex and needed to be studied by directors. It was agreed directors would study the document for discussion at the next meeting. The Chairman agreed to arrange for photocopies.

NEXT MEETING: 22 August 1998 - after the special general meeting.

AR Courley 29/8/98